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MINING NEWS.

A Strong Company Now Working the Bigham Mine.

Some Marion Men Make a Rich Strike in Caldwell County.

The Market at Mineral Point.

Lead ore per 1,000 lbs. \$20 \$22.50
Drybone (Calamine) per ton 4 15.00
Blackjack (Blende) per ton 10 30.00
Sulphur, per ton 3 5.00

Mr. Butch, a law partner of Col. F. B. Posey, U. S. Collector of the port of Evansville, and one of the owners of the Gladstone coal mining property, was in town last week and informed the Press that mining of coal would soon commence on a large scale at their Nunn's Switch mines. Mr. Butch is a pleasant gentleman, full of vim and energy, and proposes to make things hum in that bailiwick. The Press will have more to say of this enterprise later on.

The Crittenden county firm composed of the county clerk, C. E. Weldon, county attorney, Carl Henderson, Rev. Montgomery and Mr. Joe Dollar have struck it rich on the farm of Frank Sheridan about four miles from this city on the Princeton and Farmersville road.

United States Geologist Smith, who has been investigating the various mines of Crittenden county, says that judging from the specimens taken from the Sheridan mine, he thinks it much richer than anything he has seen in this section of the State. Mr. Smith has visited the Blue & Nunn mines, the Columbia, and the Old Memphis mine, and he says that the Sheridan mine is decidedly the best prospect. He estimates the average per cent of lead to be at least 60 per cent. A 10 foot shaft has been sunk and about six tons of ore have been taken out.—Princeton Chronicle.

What has hitherto been known as the Bigham shaft, located at the southern edge of Marion, and but a few feet from the I. C. railroad, which for a few months has been operated under the firm name of Harth Bros. & Finley, will hereafter be known as "The Lucile Mining Company." Last week the company was reorganized and articles of incorporation filed under the above title, with Mr. John F. Harth, President; Mr. Joseph Harth, Vice President, and Mr. J. R. Finley, Secretary and Treasurer. The Messrs. Harth comprise the large mercantile firm of Harth Bros. at Caseyville, Ky., and Mr. Finley is a well known business man of this city. The working of the mine is under the immediate supervision of Mr. J. R. Alvey, a miner of large experience and excellent judgment, who has mined more than twenty years in the Joplin district and is thoroughly up in the business of mining.

This vein is located between walls of sandstone and limestone, and has been followed from the surface to its present depth of 140 feet through these walls, the vein widening and the spar becoming lighter in color as a greater depth was reached. We believe geologists concede that if ever a true fissure vein is found in this district it will be found between walls of limestone and sandstone, and hence, should their predictions hold good, the owners of the "Lucile" may have struck it. For the past ten feet of sinking, the

spar taken out is free of other substances, especially calcareous, not a trace of which has as yet been discovered in the vein. The company is finely equipped with a 20-horse power steam hoist, powerful pumps, and most admirable arrangements for receiving and washing the spar. We learn that the company has it in contemplation to erect a spar mill in the near future and will grind its own spar.

The "Lucile" is emphatically a home enterprise, and certainly deserves well at the hands of our people. The officers are gentlemen of known probity and business enterprise, and such as to establish the new company on a firm financial and commercial basis in this community.

LARGEST CORN CROP

Ever Raised is Predicted for the Present Year.

A corn crop of two and one-half billion bushels, which is three hundred million bushels more than the biggest crop in the history of the country, is predicted for this year by traffic men and grain statisticians, says the Railway Age. Two and a half billion bushels of corn means 140,000,000,000 pounds, which means 70,000,000 tons, which at the liberal average of thirty tons to the car, means 2,333,333 cars, which at fifty cars to the train means 46,666 trains, which means loud calls for cars and engines, long hours and increased pay for train crews, large earnings for the railways, much money for farmers, merchants and all related industries, and a continuance of general prosperity.

How much of the possible two and a half billion car loads will actually be carried by rail, and how much of it will be consumed on the farms can not be so easily figured; but the bulk of this prodigious yield will reach the railways in the shape of corn or of stock, and the roads in the corn growing regions will have all that they can do for many months and every railway and business in the country will benefit from the prosperity of the producers of this great staple.

Mrs. Ella Hall, of Berrien county, Ga., has been granted permission to spring the trap at the execution of her father's murderer.

Farm for Sale.

Eight miles East of Marion, containing 219 acres, about 140 acres open land, 79 acres good timber, 45 acres bottom land; three woodlands with lasting water in each. One long through lane adjoins all the fields, horse, cow and hog lots. Has in it a spring never known to go dry and seldom ever freezes over; nine acres standing meadow. Country roads in about every direction. Nearly every kind of fruit. Good house built seven years ago, front rooms story and a half high, six good sized rooms, two back porches, veranda in front. Good eastern of water at end of an ell porch. Sugar trees in yard; nice location. Two good barns, with cisterns and pumps; plunder house, grainery, blacksmith shop and cistern just across the road from house; wagon scales; tenant house, with cistern and barn, nice location. Good school house in half mile, fine churches, two and three miles, Baptist, Methodist and Cumberland Presbyterian. 39 acres good bottom land half mile from farm can be bought between or adjoining the two as much as wanted at \$20.00 per acre. Will make a good shaped farm. Crop, team, tools, and some good cattle; one-third interest in registered Hereford bull. JACK CKIDER, Marion, Ky.

A SAILOR'S LIFE,

His Joys and Sorrows, Told by a Home Boy Now in the Navy.

On the fourteenth day of June I and eleven other lads enlisted in the navy at Louisville, Ky. We left that evening at 6 o'clock for Norfolk, Va., over the C. & O. R. R. We had the best of accommodations while en route. At Frankfort we took the Pullman sleeper, and on awakening in the morning we found ourselves in the beautiful hills of the Cumberland mountains.

We passed through the different little mining towns with a swish and a roar and in a short time they were a mere speck. Here and there a snow clad peak rose majestically towards the heavens, and in contrast you would see the pine topped hills. During the day we passed through towns of various sizes. Late Sunday night we arrived at Newport News, and after spending a few cents to appease a craving appetite we took a boat for Norfolk.

The navy yards are at Portsmouth and on the west side of the river. On the east side, just opposite, is the receiving ship Franklin, on which I now am. On arriving at Norfolk we took the cars for the receiving ship. It was dark but not too dark for me not to be able to see the clothes on the lines adorning.

It was about ten o'clock when we boarded the ship, and all was still and quiet, for the men had all turned in and were asleep. Our hammocks were prepared for us to turn into, for we do not have beds to sleep in but swing our hammocks from beam to beam, and in which locks are placed to catch the rings of our hammocks. Some of the lads were hungry, and had bread, butter and coffee. I did not sleep very well, being used to a bed. In the morning at two bells (five o'clock) reveille sounded and all the men and boys tumbled out and started to lash up their hammocks by a rope about five feet long, which is passed around and then drawn tight, leaving the hammock like a roll of cloth. It is then carried up on the spar deck and there stored away and left till 7:30 at night, when they are passed out and we swing them again.

After stowing away our hammocks Monday morning we stood around in groups, surrounded by a crowd of other sailors who were clamoring for the latest news. While standing and talking I saw a lad coming up the ladder from the deck below with his pants turned up past his knees and in his undershirt. A scrubbing brush was in one hand and a bar of soap in the other; he had been out washing clothes and as luck would have it he started talking to me and I found out he was a Louisville lad who had enlisted some months before.

At 6:45 we had mess, that being the name for breakfast, dinner, and supper. We always say mess for meals. We then drew our outfit and were soon full fledged sailors in full uniform. Dinner is on at 11:45 supper at 5:40. We did not drill for several days, having had to mark our clothes and learn how to roll them up and tie them and then to pack them away in our bag, for we have a large canvas bag to put our clothes in instead of lockers, as I thought we would have.

After several days had passed we went out into the field and learned the first rudiments of the drill. After that time we had a

drill every day; some day having boats, knot tying, rifle, compass, navy signal and code, and lastly, sails and battalion drill. In boat drill we would take a cutter of ten oars and we would then pull up the river, for a mile or two and then back before 8:30; then go to quarters at nine and some other drill till eleven, having battalion drill every other day. At 6:30 the ship's band play for half an hour, and you should see the sailor lads dancing and jiggling.

At a little before 7:30 the flag is lowered for the day amid the strains of "Hail Columbia," with all hands standing up at attention, and when the flag is down all salute. In the morning it is raised to the tune of the "Star Spangled Banner" and it thrills one's heart to think that he is a protector of his country's flag and a preserver of the peace that the citizens enjoy.

At a little after 7:30 hammocks are sounded and there is quite a rush to swing them and get out in the fresh air again. We then lounge around the deck until 8:45 when the first call for taps sounds but till then you can hear several private concerts in the way of vocal music going on. Some of the lads have a fine voice and render beautiful solos; and on a moonlight night you can see them go off in pairs to talk of those left at home.

At nine the night gun is fired and taps sounded for all to turn in and in a few moments silence reigns supreme. [It is then that I think of my school days and of those I love best. A sailor has not the time to spare to get blue or homesick.]

On a Sunday we have quarters at 9:30; church at ten till eleven, then do as we please the rest of the day.

I daily expect to sail away on the battle-ship Texas, which is to make a European cruise, finally joining the Asiatic squadron; then for a furlough home and friends.

I most assuredly like the navy for it is a free life and one to love. Hoping this will please some of my friends I remain, as ever, a protector of their rights.

Jessie Baker,
U. S. R. S. Franklin.

Attractive Women.

All women sensibly desire to be attractive. Beauty is the stamp of health because it is the outward manifestation of inward purity. A healthy woman is always attractive, bright and happy. When every drop of blood in the veins is pure, a beautiful flush is on the cheek. But when the blood is impure moroseness, bad temper and a sallow complexion tells the tale of sickness plainly. And women today know there is no beauty without health. Wine of Cardui crowns women with beauty and attractiveness by making strong and healthy those organs which make her a woman. Try Wine of Cardui and in a month your friends will hardly know you.

It is announced that the Board of Directors of the Mutual Life Insurance company of Kentucky has, by a unanimous vote, authorized the reinsurance of the business of the company, with the Illinois Life Insurance company of Chicago.

Physician and Druggists.

Ford & Sturgeon, a prominent drug firm at Rocky Hill Station, Ky., write: "We were requested by Dr. G. B. Snigley to send for Herbine for the benefit of our customers. We ordered three dozen in December and we are glad to say Herbine has given such great satisfaction that we have duplicated this order three times, and today we gave your salesman another order. We beg to say Dr. G. B. Snigley takes pleasure in recommending Herbine." 50c bottles at H. K. Woods & Co's.

THE STATE CONVENTION

Greatest Event of the Year for Sunday School Workers.

The State convention, which meets at Hopkinsville August 19, 20 and 21, is the greatest event of the year for Sunday school workers of the State. It is here that the leading workers of all denominations gather for information and inspiration.

Under the leadership of such men as Lawrence, Hamill and Phillips, there is no limit to the good that is to be accomplished. The program is as strong as it is possible to make it, both as to speakers and subject matter; what more need be said to induce every Sunday school to send its full quota of delegates. Each Sunday school is entitled to at least one delegate and to one additional for every hundred enrolled. These are chosen by the school and to be sent as representatives of the school. In addition to these each county is entitled to ten delegates at large. These are to be chosen by county officers and sent to represent the county. All ministers are ex-officio delegates. All these delegates are entitled to reduced rates of one fare for the round trip, and to free entertainment while there. As soon as appointed the names of delegates who want entertainment should be sent to Mr. T. C. Underwood, Hopkinsville, Ky. For complete program and other information address E. A. Fox, General Secretary, Louisville, Ky.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

Sixty-seven bodies have been taken from the exploded Mt. Kimball colliery.

In a church near Catlettsburg, while services were in progress, Sylvester Copely shot and killed John White. The tragedy was the outcome of an old grudge.

Two more of the men who recently held up and robbed a Wells Fargo express train, have been captured, with nearly \$30,000 of the stolen money.

The flood situation in Texas is deplorable. A million dollars is the estimated damage so far, and six lives are known to have been lost. Twenty thousand acres of cotton and other crops have been destroyed.

Circuit Judge Nunn has decided that Hopkins county must pay the claims of mine guards for services rendered during the strike. The claims were assigned to the St. Bernard Coal Company, and amount to about \$2,400.

William Jennings Bryan, in the course of an address at Mountain Lake Park Chautauquan Association, on "Problems of Government," denied that he would again seek to become the national standard bearer of the Democratic party.

The report of the commissioner of internal revenue shows that the receipts for the fiscal year ending June 30 were \$271,867,990. This is a decrease of \$35,003,679 from the receipts of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1901. The falling off is due to the repeal in part of the war revenue taxes.

A check for \$50,000 was received by Secretary Wilson, of the United Mine Workers, from the Illinois miners. Within four weeks the mine workers of that state have contributed \$100,000 and are said to have \$500,000 in reserve.

THE GREATEST OF ALL TRIPS

TO OLD POINT COMFORT AND THE SEASHORE, AUGUST 19th.

This popular Excursion in charge of Mr. W. A. Wilgus, S. P. A., will be run Tuesday, Aug. 19th, via Illinois Central and C. & O. Railways, from Marion on regular trains connecting with Seashore Special, leaving Union Depot, foot of Seventh street at 1:30 p. m. The round trip rate to Old Point Comfort is only \$16.00 and tickets are good until September 9th.

This trip surpasses any offered the traveling public. Grand and beautiful scenery, invigorating mountain air, sunbathing, ocean voyage, palatial hotel entertainment and a visit to the National Capital and Library.

Delightful side trips at low rates. Every attention and courtesy will be extended to ladies without escorts. Stop-overs allowed East of Kanawha Falls returning.

Sleeping car rates will be \$4.00 for berth—and application for sleeping car space should be made at once to W. A. WILGUS, S. P. A., Hopkinsville, Ky. For further particulars address as above or call on agent I. C. Railway.

How are Your Eyes?



If you are having trouble of any kind with them you should at once call on Dr. C. L. Gray, Ophthalmologist.

Of Pembroke, Ky., who is now located in your city at the Franklin Hotel for 30 days only, this trip. He corrects all errors of refraction of the eyes—myopia, hyperopia, Presbyopia, Astigmatism, etc., by the scientific adjustment of the finest crystal lenses for the improvement of vision and relief of nerve strain often the cause of headaches, neuralgia, insomnia, indigestion and other nervous troubles which soon disappear when the cause is removed by the constant use of the accurately ground and correctly fitted lenses.

You take no chances and run no risk in the matter, as you do not have to pay for your glasses 'til you get them and see that they suit you and you cannot afford to miss this splendid opportunity of having your eyes scientifically tested and correctly fitted by a specialist who has had years of experience in the business.

The Pembroke Journal and Cadiz Record says: "Dr. C. L. Gray is a gentleman worthy the respect, confidence and patronage of all who are in need of his services. A great many of our best citizens have had their eyes tested and fitted by him and all express themselves as being very much pleased with their glasses."

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